

REMARKS

Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for considering the present application. In the Office Action dated April 25, 2005, claims 1-33 are pending in the application. The allowability of claims 8-26, 28, and 29 is acknowledged. The allowability of claims 3, 4, and 31 if rewritten in independent form is also acknowledged. Claim 30 has been rewritten in independent form to include the limitation of claim 31. Thus, claim 31 has been canceled. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider the rejections.

The drawings stand objected to for failing to comply with 37 C.F.R. 1.84(p)(5). Applicants have amended the specification to include the reference numeral 102 therein.

Applicants have also amended the first paragraph of the specification to refer to the application number and not the attorney docket number.

Claim 28 stands objected to for lack of antecedent basis for "the roll control system." The roll control system was placed into the preamble and thus, antecedent basis is believed to be found therein. Also, the word "small" has been eliminated from the claim and thus, claim 28 is believed to be allowable.

The oath or declaration stands objected to for failing to include the continuation-in-part serial number. Applicants have provided a new declaration citing the continuation-in-part serial number.

Claims 1, 2 and 7 stand objected to under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by *Woywood* (6,366,844). Applicants respectfully traverse.

Claim 1 directed to a method for controlling an automotive vehicle that includes detecting a potential for wheel lift, determining a wheel lift pressure request to determine wheel lift, generating a roll control pressure request and suppressing the wheel lift pressure request in response to the roll control pressure request. The Examiner points to Col. 4, lines 47 through Col. 5, line 18, for generating a roll control pressure request and suppressing the wheel lift pressure in response to the roll control pressure request. Applicants have reviewed these

sections and can find no teaching or suggestion for suppressing a roll control pressure request and suppressing the wheel lift pressure request in response to the roll control pressure request. Applicants admit that a wheel lift may be determined using brake torque or driving torque as set forth in Col. 3, line 64. However, the passage in Cols. 4 and 5 does not teach or suggest suppressing the wheel lift pressure request in response to the roll pressure request. In fact, applicants believe that no roll control pressure request is set forth therein.

Claims 2 and 7 depend upon claim 1 and are also believed to be allowable for the same reasons set forth above.

Claims 5 and 6 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over *Woywood* in view of *Yamada* (6,315,373). Applicants respectfully traverse.

The *Yamada* reference also does not teach or suggest suppressing the wheel lift pressure request in response to the roll control pressure request as set forth in claim 1. Therefore, applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider the rejection of claims 5 and 6.

Claims 27, 30 and 32 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by *Semsey* (6,176,555).

Claim 27 has been amended to recite that a possibly grounded condition or possibly lifted condition is determined. No teaching or suggestion is found in the *Semsey* reference for determining possibly grounded and possibly lifted condition. The *Semsey* reference merely teaches determining a grounded or lifted condition.

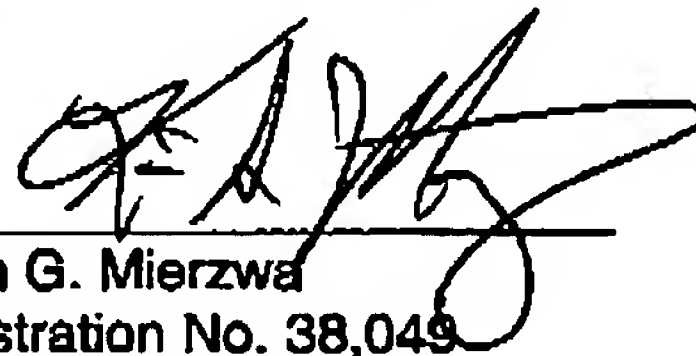
Claim 30 has been amended to include the limitation of claim 31. Claim 32 is thus also believed to be allowable.

Claim 33 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over *Semsey* in view *Schramm* (6,272,420). Applicants respectfully submit that claim 31 is believed to be allowable and therefore claim 33 is believed to be allowable.

In light of the above remarks, Applicants submit that all rejections are now overcome and the application is now in condition for allowance and expeditious notice thereof is earnestly solicited. Should the Examiner have any questions or comments which would place the application in better condition for allowance, he is respectfully requested to call the undersigned attorney.

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